

Remarks

Claims 1-24 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1, 3 and 7 are amended. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Office Action indication that claims 2 and 7-24 recite allowable subject matter. However, based on the following, applicants respectfully submit that all claims are in condition for allowance.

The Office Action rejects claims 1 and 3-6 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Boon (U.S. Patent 4,992,685) in view of Allen (U.S. Patent 5,909,069). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

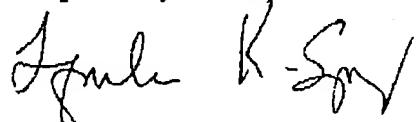
Applicants submit that Boon does not teach "a hinge for supporting the pivotably mounted driven member above the substrate," as recited in claim 1. Instead, Boon uses a shaft 12 to support the pivotally mounted driven member 11. A shaft is clearly different from a hinge, in that a shaft does not in general constrain the angular motion of the pivotably mounted driven member, whereas a hinge limits the rotation to less than 360 degrees.

Allen also does not disclose or suggest "a hinge for supporting the pivotably mounted driven member above the substrate," and therefore does not remedy the deficiency of Boon with respect to claim 1. Claims 3-6 depend from claim 1 and are patentable for at least the reasons set forth above with respect to claim 1, as well as for the additional features they recite. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that rejection of claims 1 and 3-6 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) be withdrawn.

Based on the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-24 are respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants undersigned representative, at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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